

TWO DEATH THREATS AGAINST HALL MADE BY WIFE'S KIN, SIMPSON TOLD

Name of New Accuser Hidden; Alibi Under Fire

A death threat reported to have been directed against the Rev. Edward W. Hall by a relative of his wife this afternoon occupied the attention of State Senator Alexander Simpson, special prosecutor, who is seeking to unravel the Hall-Mills murder mystery.

The threat, it is said, was based on the minister's relations with Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, the other victim of the tragedy, and was made in a moment of passion.

Guard Identity

Every possible means is being taken by Senator Simpson and his investigators to guard the identity of the relative. It is admitted, however, that it was not Henry Stevens, brother of Mrs. Hall, who has been under strict surveillance for days past.

According to authorities, this threat was the second made against the minister. The first was attributed to Henry Stevens by the Rev. Paul Hamborsky, a friend of Dr. Hall, and former pastor of a Hungarian church at New Brunswick. Hamborsky is said to be employed by a Manhattan real estate concern and to be at present living in Astoria, L. I.

Has Threat Affidavit

In the possession of Senator Simpson is an affidavit made by Hamborsky in which he alleged



Alexander Simpson Jane Gibson

that shortly before the double killing the Rev. Dr. Hall told him, "Henry threatened me."

Despite the assertion of Mrs. Henry Stevens that several women, former neighbors, were willing to come forward and testify they saw her husband at his Lavalette home the night of the murder, it is apparent the alibi is to be sifted to the bottom.

Corroboration is being sought by the special prosecutor for a story that whenever Henry Stevens visited the Hall home during the year preceding the murders he failed to speak to the minister.

Seven to Be Quizzed

Eleven persons are to be questioned tonight at Toms River by Simpson, and startling developments are looked for. The identity of the witnesses is being closely guarded, but Sheriff John A. G. Grant of Ocean county, who rounded them up, admits several are women.

When asked if he believed it possible to break down the alibi

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Divorcing 2-Gun Hubby



MRS. WINIFRED WESTOVER HART, wife of William S. Hart, wild West movie star, who is now in Reno getting a divorce. The couple separated three years ago, and Hart made a settlement of \$103,000 on Winifred and \$100,000 on their son, Bill, Jr.

Smith Fully Recovered, Back at Work in Albany

Special Dispatch to The GRAPHIC

ALBANY, Sept. 3.—Gov. Smith has so far recovered from his recent illness that today he began plunging into the mass of state business which has been awaiting his return to the capital.

Did Consul Give Trudy Champagne? W. C. T. U. Asks

OMAHA, NEB., Sept. 3 (By U. P.).—The Omaha chapter of the Women's Christian Temperance Union today asked President Coolidge to investigate reports that William Corcoran, United States consul at Boulogne, France, tendered Gertrude Ederle



Gertrude Ederle

a glass of champagne following her conquest of the English Channel.

The chapter petitioned the President to recall Corcoran from his post if the report that he offered Gertrude liquor is confirmed.

That was the message given The GRAPHIC by Miss Catherine Smith, the executive's daughter, who emphasized that her father's condition is such that the family have ceased worrying.

The governor was stricken en route to Syracuse, where he was scheduled to speak at a dinner of agriculturists on Wednesday night and at the State Fair in that city yesterday. He was forced to cancel the dinner engagement, but yesterday managed to attend the fair, although he was not able to make an address.

Returns to Work

As soon as he had fulfilled his obligations to the fair committee, Governor Smith and his party boarded a train for Albany, reaching here about 9.30 o'clock last night. He retired at once, spent a restless night, and this morning again took up the burden of office.

"Father has recovered almost entirely from the illness, which resulted from a minor operation," Miss Catherine Smith declared. "In fact, it never was considered serious, although naturally we were somewhat alarmed for a time. He has been working extremely hard and we were fearful of a complete breakdown."

Miss Smith added that her parent should not have made the journey to Syracuse, and would not have done so had he not given his promise to the State Fair committee.



Gov. Smith

Tin Pan Alley Scouts Report Berlins Rewed In Church While Abroad

Reports that Irving Berlin and his bride, the former Ellin Mackay, had been re-married in Europe according to the ritual of the Roman Catholic Church, of which Mrs. Berlin is a communicant, were met with a ripple of polite laughter in Tin-Pan-Alley circles close to the song writer today.

Mrs. Bill Hart To Divorce 2-Gun Hubby at Reno

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 3.—Mrs. William S. Hart, the former Winifred Westover, who closed her Hollywood home six weeks ago and announced her intention of living in San Francisco, has joined the Reno divorce colony, it is reported here. It is believed she intends to remain there until she receives a decree from the famous two-gun man of the movies.

The couple were married five years ago. Marital troubles cropped up soon after and these were not smoothed out, as had been generally expected, through the birth of William S. Hart, Jr.

It is said the screen star created two trust funds, one for his wife and the other for his son. The former, according to the terms, is to receive the income from \$103,000 and William, Jr., the income from \$100,000.

At the Berlin offices Irving's manager, Henry Crawford, referred to the "final" denial issued by his boss only a few days ago, and scouted a morning newspaper's attempt to stress the fact that Berlin had only denied that he was to be married again in this country, with the remark that that was "taking advantage of a mere technicality."

Father McIntyre, aid to Cardinal Hayes, declared the diocesan records contained nothing relative to a ceremony performed abroad, but added that it was not likely that they would, unless Mrs. Berlin herself provided the information.



Irving Berlin Mrs. Irving Berlin

Persons in touch with the situation, who know something of the devout attitude of the former Ellin Mackay toward her church, believe that had another marriage been performed she would, especially in her delicate condition, have appeared ere this at the church of St. Jean de Baptiste for devotional purposes.

Berlin had not been at his West 46th Street home for the last forty-eight hours, according to employees, nor had Mrs. Berlin made an appearance.

Of late the song writer has even avoided the suite of offices on Broadway from which his "latest hits" are given to the world and office workers declare that since his return from Europe he has visited his headquarters only occasionally, usually late in the afternoon.

Razor Cut Fatal To Sports Writer

Robert Boyd, 33, baseball and swimming writer for the New York Evening World and a well known national authority on swimming, died at Staten Island Hospital this morning from loss of blood following an accidental cut inflicted on himself last night while shaving.

Boyd lived at Wadsworth Hall, Arrochar, Staten Island. Shaving in his apartment, he cut his neck. He was taken to the hospital at 10 o'clock, but had lost so much blood that he died at 3 a. m. He was unmarried. He served in the Air Service overseas and lost an arm in an airplane crash.

Quiz Husband in Death Of Wife on Drunken Revel

A drinking bout which started yesterday in the tournament at 141 East 13th St. wound up today with the death of Mrs. Catherine Moore, who resided on the third floor rear, and questioning by police of her husband, William, and four companions.

Police are looking for another woman who is said to have been a member of the party.

Moore had left the party for a short time during the early morning hours. On his return he found his wife dead beside the bed. There were bruises on her face and body.

Demands Own Arrest

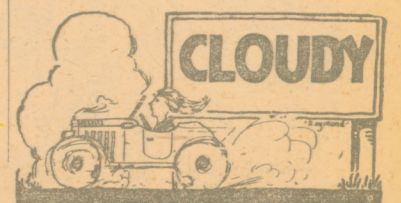
Police are questioning Warren Adams, 31, who gave the Mills Hotel, 36th Street and 7th Avenue, as his address. Adams dashed into Charles Street police station last night and asked to be locked up, saying, "I have just committed a murder."

Later he denied killing any one, but insisted on being locked up just the same.

The police obliged and in Jefferson Market Court today brought out that Adams was under two suspended sentences, one for carrying a revolver.

THE WEATHER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1926.



U. S. WEATHER FORECAST

LOCAL.—Partly cloudy; continued cool tonight and Saturday; fresh northeast winds.

EASTERN NEW YORK.—Partly cloudy and cloudy tonight and Saturday; little change in temperature; moderate to fresh northeast and east winds.

Hour	Temp.	Weather	Barom.	Wind
Midnight	59	Cloudy	30.08	NE, 16
2 a. m.	58	Pt. cloudy	30.08	NE, 16
4 a. m.	58	Clear	30.09	NE, 16
6 a. m.	57	Clear	30.10	NE, 14
8 a. m.	60	Clear	30.11	NE, 14
10 a. m.	61	Clear	30.15	NE, 15

Woman Doctor Swimming Channel in Race With Man

CAPE GRIS NEZ, FRANCE, Sept. 3.—Mona MacLaren and Horace Carey, both of Folkestone, England, started swimming the English Channel at 5.10 a. m. today.

Two and one-half hours later they were two and a half miles off shore.

The weather was unsettled. Their effort was made unannounced and unheralded. The

woman swimmer refused to be photographed.

Miss MacLaren is a physician and Carey is a well known British swimmer.